

**WILLIAMSBURG CITY COUNCIL
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
(SWEARING-IN CEREMONY)
MINUTES
JULY 1, 2004**

An Organizational Meeting of the Williamsburg City Council was held on July 1, 2004, 12:00 Noon, at the Courthouse of 1770, Duke of Gloucester Street, following the official Swearing-In Ceremony for Mr. Clyde A. Haulman, Mr. Michael P. Chohany, and Mr. Paul T. Freiling.

Attendance

Present were Ms. Zeidler and Messrs. Haulman, Scruggs, Chohany and Freiling. Also present were City Manager Tuttle, City Attorney Phillips, and City Clerk Crist. The Courthouse was filled with family members and friends of City Council members, city staff, citizens, and visitors to the Historic Area.

Call to Order

Prior to the Organizational Meeting, at 11:45 a.m., the Sergeant of the City Hustings Court (Mr. Tom Hay, Colonial Williamsburg Foundation) called the Swearing-In Ceremony to order in 18th century style. Col. John Dixon, Mayor of Williamsburg 1774-1776 (Rob Warren), welcomed Council members, residents, and visitors to the courthouse. He recalled that he had once read the Declaration of Independence to citizens on the steps of the Courthouse of 1770. Mayor Dixon introduced the present Mayor, Jeanne Zeidler.

Mayor Zeidler thanked Mayor Dixon and the Sergeant of the Court. The Mayor explained that since 1994, and every two years thereafter, Council assembles in the historic courthouse to swear in new Council members and hold their Organizational Meeting. She introduced Council members Scruggs, Haulman, Freiling, and Chohany.

Mayor Zeidler explained that the official City mace, displayed on the table to the front of the courthouse, was made in England in 1750 and is marked with the city's Coat of Arms. It is brought by courier to the courthouse from the DeWitt Wallace Gallery for this special event.

Certificates of Election

Mayor Zeidler introduced Ms. Margaret Biggins, Chair of the Electoral Board.

Ms. Biggins presented the new Council members with a framed Certification of Election with her congratulations.

Oaths of Office

Mayor Zeidler introduced Circuit Court Judge Samuel T. Powell III, to administer the Oaths of Office. Judge Powell administered the oath of office to Mr. Haulman, Mr.

Chohany, and Mr. Freiling. Each Council member signed their oath, and it was certified by Judge Powell.

Mr. Haulman, Mr. Chohany, and Mr. Freiling thanked everyone who supported them throughout the election. They were looking forward to serving on City Council.

At 12:00 Noon, City Attorney, Phillips, Chairman Pro Tem, called the meeting to order. Mr. Phillips congratulated the new Council members and asked for nominations for Mayor.

Nominations

*Mr. Haulman nominated **Jeanne Zeidler** for Mayor. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chohany. There were no other nominations.*

Ms. Zeidler was elected by acclamation by the following vote:

Aye: Freiling, Haulman, Zeidler, Chohany, Scruggs

No: None

Mayor Zeidler took the Chair. She said it was a privilege, honor and great responsibility to be Mayor. She thanked her colleagues for their trust and support for another two-year term.

Mayor Zeidler opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Mayor.

*Mr. Scruggs Nominated **Clyde A. Haulman** as Vice-Mayor. Nominations were closed.*

Mr. Haulman was elected by acclamation by the following vote:

Aye: Freiling, Haulman, Zeidler, Chohany, Scruggs

No: None

*Mr. Freiling Nominated **Shelia Y. Crist** as Clerk of Council. Nominations were closed.*

Ms. Crist was elected by acclamation by the following vote:

Aye: Freiling, Haulman, Zeidler, Chohany, Scruggs

No: None

*Mr. Haulman Nominated **Joseph Phillips** as City Attorney. Nominations were closed.*

Mr. Phillips was elected by acclamation by the following vote:

Aye: Freiling, Haulman, Zeidler, Chohany, Scruggs

No: None

*Mr. Chohany Nominated **Jackson C. Tuttle** as City Manager. Nominations were closed.*

Mr. Tuttle was elected by acclamation by the following vote:

Aye: Freiling, Haulman, Zeidler, Chohany, Scruggs

No: None

Mayor Zeidler expressed appreciation on behalf of City Council to the appointees and to city staff.

ADOPTION OF POLICY AND PROCEDURES OF CITY COUNCIL, Proposed Resolution # 04-13

Mr. Haulman Moved That City Council Adopt Resolution #04-13, Adoption of Policy and Procedures of the City Council, Revised June 30, 2004. The Motion was Seconded by Mr. Scruggs.

Aye: Freiling, Haulman, Zeidler, Chohany, Scruggs

No: None

(SEE ATTACHED RESOLUTION #04-13)

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Approved: August 12, 2004

Shelia Y. Crist, Clerk of Council

Jeanne Zeidler, Mayor